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Construction is expected to continue throughout the summer at the old Highland Market site on Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington Heights.

Sullivan quits as town veteran's agent

John Sullivan, the veteran's agent for the town, has quit after 13 years in the position, citing a desire to spend more time with his family in Brockton.

Sullivan's decision follows announcements from two other Town Hall officials either retiring or planning to leave. Sullivan said Wednesday he enjoyed his job, but he left in order to be closer to home and to take care of his 8-year-old daughter when his wife is away on business.

"I get to be home with my daughter and provide a proper home life while my wife is away," he said.

Sullivan joined the town in 1979, initially working in the tree department and then as the overnight custodian in Town Hall.

As head of the Department of Veterans Services, Sullivan acted as a liaison between veterans and the federal, state, and local agencies that provide assistance to veterans.

Sullivan, a Vietnam-era veteran

of the Navy, said he loved to help veterans, widows of veterans, and their children.

"I enjoyed trying to help my fellow veterans," Sullivan said. "I tried to help them out of tough spots when they ran into them."

Sullivan said he regretted giving up his job, and he left on good terms. He said he was treated well by the town, and he made his decision for personal reasons.

Sullivan plans to visit his former colleagues and continue his association with the town's American Legion.

As well as being the veteran's agent, Sullivan ran the Arlington Food Pantry, located at the Church of Our Saviour, and helped organize the Patriots' Day parade.

Last month, Joseph Loyacono announced he was leaving his position as director of public works, and William Libby retired from his job as building inspector after 42 years of service.

— Brian Boyd

Man charged following accident on Broadway

BY BRIAN BOYD
STAFF WRITER

A 19-year-old Russell Terrace man was arrested and charged with dangerous driving after he lost control of his 1990 Acura and crashed into an oncoming car on Broadway Sunday.

The spectacular crash drew an estimated 100 onlookers and left the passenger trapped in the vehicle and the driver lying on the pavement. By Wednesday, both had been released from hospitals, despite earlier reports that the driver might have sustained critical injuries.

Police arrested James E. Gamble Tuesday night at Lahey-Hitchcock Hospital in Burlington, where he had been treated for injuries, and returned him to Arlington, according to Police Director Eugene Del Gaizo.

Nick Pesiridis, 20, of Russell

Street told police he was driving east on Broadway when the west-bound Gamble swerved and hit his car. Airborne, Gamble's car struck a telephone pole, fire hydrant, and fire alarm box, Del Gaizo said.

Gamble was transported to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center and later transferred to Lahey, Del Gaizo said. His passenger, Leonita Robinson, 16, of Cambridge was also taken to Symmes. She said she was released from the hospital the following morning.

Pesiridis told The Advocate he was not injured, but he was traumatized by the experience. He was relieved to learn Gamble and Robinson were released from the hospitals. He said he found Gamble lying on the ground, having been thrown from his car.

"I don't care about my car, as

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For some teachers, school's out for good

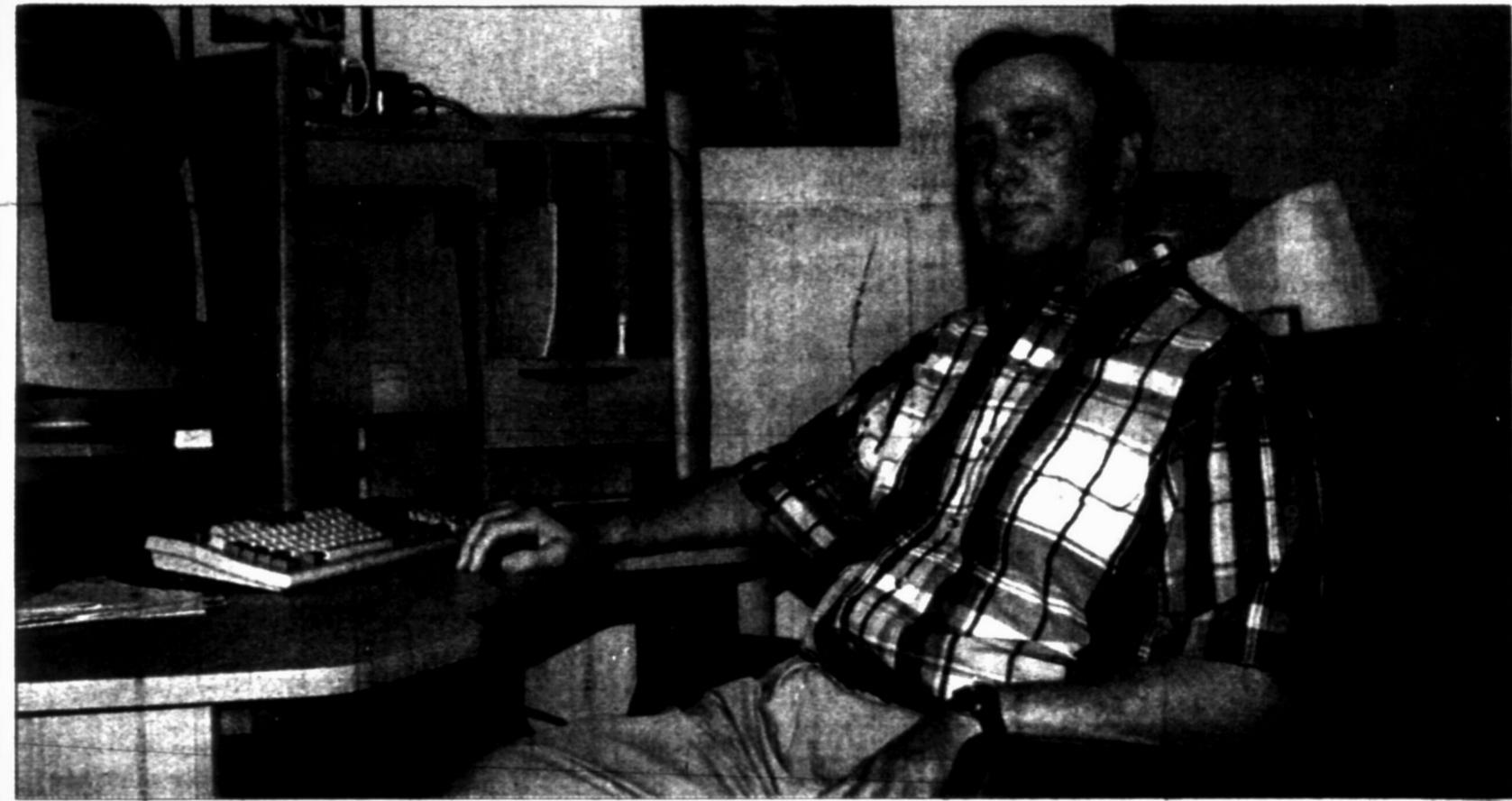


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Gorman retires after 33 years

BY BRIAN BOYD
STAFF WRITER

William Gorman, who retired this year after teaching sixth graders at the Brackett School for 33 years, shared his passion for history with his students.

While he taught many subjects to his students, Gorman said history is his favorite. He is working on an historical novel about 18th-century Acadians, French inhabitants of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

History helps people understand their world, he said, but it is hard for teachers today to compete with television.

"History helps us understand the present," Gorman said, citing religious conflicts that can be traced back to medieval times. "It helps explain why things are going on."

Gorman, a Somerville native, studied French and Spanish at Boston College and initially planned to teach high school. He discovered his interest in teaching as an instructor in religious classes at his church.

After college, Gorman met a school principal who lived next to his sister in Pennsylvania and was looking for someone to teach fifth graders. He taught for two years before returning to his home state.

Gorman said it is rewarding when students learn. He had students who did not seem promising

Dianna Aghazarian Gostanian, an English teacher at Ottoson Middle School who retired after 22 years of service to the school department, enjoyed passing on life lessons to her students. Gostanian, the daughter of Armenian immigrants, lived in Arlington most of her life. She enjoyed sharing information with her students, not only about English but about life, telling stories from her own experience. Gostanian said when she runs into her former students in supermarkets and on the street, they make her proud.

"There were some students people thought would go no place but to jail, and they're doing lovely," she said. "I think

my way of handling them helped."

Ottoson principal Paul Lamoureux said Gostanian has been a valued teacher.

"She will be sincerely missed," he said. "I'm sad to see her go."

Gostanian was drawn to teaching by the community spirit of the schools. She started as a substitute teacher in 1974, after having raised a family. Arlington High School hired her the following year to teach business, which involved lessons in shorthand writing and typing.

She switched to English as five years later, because the business course was dropped. She was let go in 1992 because of staff reduction, but she returned a year later to teach the junior high school.

Her father, Stephen Aghazarian, lived through the Turkish massacre of Armenians during World War I. He came to the United States after the massacre and met Gostanian's mother, Lucy, another Armenian who emigrated before the tragedy.

Aghazarian started Milton's Spa, a convenience store, in Arlington. Gostanian's family moved to Watertown after she completed the sixth grade at the Hardy School, but they returned while she was attending college. She said she enjoys living in the town, because her relatives live here.

In spite of being from another country, the Aghazarians were a contemporary family, Gostanian said. Her mother graduated

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Students made teaching enjoyable for Gostanian

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Under construction

Trader Joe's, Hollywood Video among new retail stores planning to move in by fall

BY BRIAN BOYD
STAFF WRITER

With several construction projects either ongoing or scheduled to start this summer, residents can expect a new crop of businesses coming soon to town.

New retail centers are planned for sites near the Heights and Drake Village, and the future tenants include businesses new to the town, such as Trader Joe's and Hollywood Video. Meanwhile, the state and the town are upgrading a bridge, the middle school, and the sewer lines, making it a summer of construction throughout town.

"I saw an opportunity to fill an under-stored community," said Len Bierbrier, a Lexington-based developer who owns two shop-

ping centers in eastern Massachusetts that are similar in scope to his undertaking in Arlington Heights.

Bierbrier said he is planning to construct a three-store retail center at the former Metropolitan Boston Transportation Authority parking lot, across Massachusetts Avenue from the bus station. With a video chain and bakery currently on board, he wants to begin construction in August and complete it in November.

Boston-based developer Ken Moskow said there was considerable interest by businesses to lease his two new retail buildings now under construction on the lot near Drake Village once occupied by Highland Market.

Walgreen's, Trader Joe's, and Starbucks

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INSIDE ARLINGTON

MEETINGS

Thursday, July 10

- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., second floor conference room, Town Hall Annex

Wednesday, July 16

- Commission on Disability, 4 p.m., second floor conference room, 20 Academy Street
- Arlington Housing Authority, 6:30 p.m., administrative office, Winslow Towers.

CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, last week's edition incorrectly said John FitzMaurice has been reappointed to the Redevelopment Board. He is the one board member appointed by the state, and his term ends in September. He is still seeking reappointment. Residents interested in supporting him can write to Jane Wallis Gumble, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, Room 1804, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston 02202.

In the July 3 Classified cover story, "Ready to take the plunge: Pool prices vary as much as design," the name of the owner of Littleton Pool Co., Tim Gilbert, was misspelled.

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The lawn at the Jefferson Cutter House came alive July 2 with the first of three concerts this summer. "The Classic Five," a band featuring music of the 50s and 60s, performed. Above, singer Bob Cormier, right, gets some help from audience members, from left, Dan Chase, Jim Koenig and Peter Aladjem, all of Arlington. At left, a group of youngsters took center-stage as the band played "The Twist." Other performances are slated for July 30 with the John Penny Band and August 29, when the C' Jammers come to town.

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FIRE

The fire department responded to 112 calls in the past week. The calls included 32 rescues, 22 fires, and 14 investigations.

Tuesday, July 1

At 7:05 p.m., an 87-year-old Menotomy Road woman fainted, apparently due to dehydration. Rescue workers and paramedics checked her vital signs, administered oxygen, and transported her to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center for further evaluation.

Wednesday, July 2

At 11:41 a.m., a 31-year-old waitress at Jimmy's Steer House at 1111 Massachusetts Ave. suffered an apparent seizure. Engine 2, Rescue, and paramedics responded. They checked her vital signs, tested her blood sugar level, and transported her to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center.

At 12:20 p.m., a 14-year-old Newport Street boy cut his wrist on glass trying to enter his house. Rescue workers cleaned and bandaged his 2-inch wound and transported him to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center.

Thursday, July 3

At 7:36 a.m., a 36-year-old Temple Street man was injured when a 22-year-old Brookline man lost control of his car at Mystic and Summer streets and struck the victim's car while he was waiting for the traffic light to change.

The victim complained of neck and back pain. Engine 4 and Rescue responded. They boarded and collared him and transported him to Symmes Hospital and Medical

Center.

The Brookline man said his foot slipped off the clutch and his car swerved into the other lane as he turned left.

At 4:57 p.m., a 67-year-old Theresa Circle man suffered a possible stroke. Rescue workers found him sitting in his chair. He told them he felt fine, but he had a facial droop and an unsteady walk. He was transported to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center.

Saturday, July 5

At 9:15 a.m., a 43-year-old Pawnee Drive man was driving on Old Mystic Street when the sun blinded him and he struck a tree, he told authorities.

Engine 4 and Rescue responded. Firefighters boarded and collared him, splintered his wrist which was possibly broken, and transported him to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center.

At 10:45 a.m., a 75-year-old Winchester woman was injured after a 49-year-old Acton crashed his car into her car at Summer Street and Park Avenue. She suffered a cut lip and an abrasion on her left knee. Rescue workers transported her to Symmes Hospital and Medical Center.

The man said he was driving west on Summer Street and had a green light. The woman said she was driving north on Park Avenue and had a green light, and a witness driving behind her also said she had the green light. Police cited the man for violating a red light.

Safety message

Flammable liquids, like gasoline and kerosene, are serious hazards that people keep around their homes. However, if the materials are stored and used properly and safely, accidents can be avoided, according to fire officials.

Most people don't realize that a gallon of gasoline can be as dangerous as 14 sticks of dynamite. These flammable liquids, with their invisible vapors, when ignited, don't burn, but explode. The most likely victims are men and boys between the ages of 9 and 35. The more typical accidents happen when:

- Gasoline is used to clean something.
- During refueling of small engines while they are still hot, or while smoking.

• Applying lighter fluid or gasoline on a charcoal fire that has already started to burn.

Any flammable liquid should be treated with respect to prevent accidents. Some safety measures include:

- Storing gasoline and lighter fluid in "safety cans" or containers that have been approved for the storage of flammables by Factory Mutual or Underwriters Laboratories.
- Storing the cans outside of the home, away from sources of ignition.
- Using solvents designed for cleaning and following manufacturer's recommendations.
- Turning off engines and allowing them to cool before refueling.

POLICE

Thursday, July 3

At 2:05 p.m., Richard Deprimeo, 43, of Devereaux Street was arrested and charged with defaulting on a Somerville warrant for shoplifting. Police recognized him at the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Pleasant Street.

Friday, July 4

At 12:15 p.m., Joseph F. Cunha, 29, of Dundee Road was arrested and charged with assaulting his 27-year-old wife during an argument. She alleged he hit the back of her head with an object, which he claims was a crayon. She said he pushed her in the shoulder, causing her to fall, and threatened to kill her and cut off her ear. An emergency restraining order was placed on Cunha.

Saturday, July 5

At 10 a.m., Lorraine Murray, 40, of Russell Terrace was arrested and charged with trespassing at the Russell Terrace apartment building where she had lived. A real estate agent had written police earlier and told them she was not welcome on the property. Murray was later arrested on Sunday and Tuesday and charged with trespassing at the apartment and disorderly conduct.

At 9:30 p.m., Michael McCormack, 34, of Russell Street was arrested and charged with operating

his car after his license had been suspended. Police recognized him as he left the CVS Pharmacy parking lot in East Arlington.

Monday, July 7
At 5:40 p.m., 16-year-old Cambridge boy was arrested and charged with operating a car without a license and negligent driving, after he drove on a sidewalk. Police observed him driving east on Warren Street on the sidewalk, with two passengers, and pulled him over at the corner of River and Warren streets.

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Five complete training at fire academy

Five men recently graduated from the state fire academy and became Arlington firefighters.

James L. Bailey Jr., Brendan J. Carey, Thomas R. Dean Jr., Jay E. Henebury, and Paul M. McPhail completed the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy's 55-day Recruit Firefighting Program on June 27. This rigorous professional training provides firefighters with the basic skills to effectively and safely perform their jobs. The program is offered tuition free by the Massachusetts Fire Academy, a division of the Department of Fire Services.

Today's firefighters do far more than fight fires, explained Chief Perry Cayton of the Arlington Fire Department. All firefighters must be trained to offer emergency medical care. They are the first ones called to deal with chemical and environmental emergencies ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to a gas leak. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice or who has locked himself in a bathroom. They rescue people from stalled elevators and those who are trapped in vehicle accidents. They test and maintain their equipment, ranging from self-contained breathing apparatus to hydrants to hoses, power tools and apparatus.

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Above: renovation work continues at the Stop & Shop supermarket on Massachusetts Avenue. Above right, attending the recent groundbreaking for the Walgreen's site in Arlington Heights are, from left, Ken Moskow of American Venture Corp., John FitzMaurice of the Redevelopment Board, Mora Mann of the Redevelopment Board, Chamber of Commerce President Carol Ryerson, Director of Planning Alan McClenen Jr., Assistant Planning Director Kevin O'Brien, architect Keith Moskow, and Peter Travi of Travi Construction.



Construction boom hits town

CONSTRUCTION, FROM PAGE 1

Coffee plan to move in by this fall, according to Moskow.

Walgreen's will occupy a 14,000 square foot building. Moskow said, and Trader Joe's and Starbucks will be housed in the second building. He said the food

store will be 8,000 square feet, and the coffee shop will be 1,500 square feet.

Moskow, who is building in Arlington for the first time, praised Planning Director Alan McClenen Jr., Assistant Planning Director Kevin O'Brien, and the Redevelopment Board.

Bierbrier said he has two future tenants, Hollywood Video, an Oregon-based chain who recently opened stores in Saugus and Dartmouth, and St. Louis Bread, a St. Louis-based chain recently purchased by Au Bon Pain.

Bierbrier said the Arlington Business Community study, completed two years ago, cited video stores and restaurants as business the town lacks.

Johnny's Foodmaster at 808 Massachusetts Avenue will start work August 1 on a remodeling project that will include a 6,000 square foot addition on Bartlett Avenue side of the building, according to Charles Napier, the chain's director of facilities.

Napier said the store is putting in a bakery and expanding the fish department. He said there will be more frozen food, and all new displays and shelving will be added throughout the store.

Napier said the company hopes to complete the renovation by early 1998, but the timing depends on this winter's conditions.

As with any remodeling, there will be some inconvenience to the customers, Napier said, but in the end, the store will be modern and have most amenities people want.

Across from Foodmaster, Stop & Shop continues work on its expanded store.

The state and town are also active in construction this summer. Construction on the Park Avenue bridge will soon go ahead without a redesign, Town Manager Donald Marquis said Monday. Residents had requested sidewalks on both sides.

Marquis said state and town officials met Monday morning at the site and determined the redesign would be too costly.

Marquis said everyone would have liked a second sidewalk, but at this point, it would have delayed the project by a year and added \$150,000 to the cost. He said it also would have required the use of land belonging to the owners of Gold's Gym and the Citgo gas station.

Work continues this summer on the renovation of the Ottoson Middle School. This year's Town Meeting voted an additional \$3.3 million for the project, which has faced cost overruns and delays.

William Shea, chairman of the Permanent Town Building Committee, said the renovation is nearly done, except for interior work in the new addition.

"We're going to be ready by this fall," Shea said. "We're going to miss the September opening, but we'll get it done by January very easily."

Shea said the contractors are working on the partitions, the heating, and the plumbing for the new addition. He said the committee hired a landscape artist for the exterior work.

The Department of Public Works has been repairing sewer lines in the Reeds Brook area in three phases. It finished the first phase, replacing the connection between town lines and the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority lines at the corner of Ryder and Beck streets, Director Joseph Loya said.

Public works will finish the second phase in the next two weeks, Loya said. It is replacing the pipes at the corner of Summer and Forest streets, with wider pipes to improve the flow, he said.

Loya said the third phase involves Thesda and Wright streets and will begin in a week or two. He said it will be carried out in two stages, with work that does not require streets to be dug up scheduled first.

The first stage involves sealing joints, Loya said, and can be done through manholes. He said the second stage focuses a main which is too level to allow gravity to carry the sewage. The contractor will increase the slope, im-

Legals 1840 Arlington Advocate

ALFRED P. RYERSON

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ARLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing in the DPW conference room at Town Hall on Massachusetts Avenue, 2nd floor, on MONDAY, JULY 14, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Ch. 131, § 40, as amended, and the Arlington General By-Law on Wetlands Protection. By Laws of the Town of Arlington, Title V, Article 8, to consider a NOTICE OF INTENT by the Burkhardt Corporation of Boston, to construct a hotel at 17 Massachusetts Avenue (Arlene Volvo site) all or partially within Land Subject to Flooding and the Riverfront Area, and a Buffer Zone of the Alewife Reservoir. All will begin as a joint hearing with the Redevelopment Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals, and may be continued later in the evening in the 2nd floor Annex conference room.

Susan Brem, Chair

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

COOKES HOLLOW LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ARLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing in the DPW conference room at Town Hall on Massachusetts Avenue, 2nd floor, on MONDAY, JULY 21, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Ch. 131, § 40, as amended, and the Arlington General By-Law on Wetlands Protection. By Laws of the Town of Arlington, Title V, Article 8, to consider a NOTICE OF INTENT by the Garden Club of Arlington to acquire and restore COOKES HOLLOW CONSERVATION LAND, on Mill Brook at Mystic Street, wholly or partially within Land Subject to Flooding and the Riverfront and Bank, and a Buffer Zone of Mill Brook.

Susan Brem, Chair

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

DICKS DIVORCE LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX DIVISION DOCKET NO. 97-1705-D1

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

Nannette Dicks, Plaintiff
LeRoy Dicks, Defendant

To the above-named Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Nannette Dicks, seeking a divorce.

You are required to serve upon Anthony Boczenowski, attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 35 Bedford Street, Suite 14, Lexington, MA 02122, a copy of the complaint on or before September 1, 1997, and to do so in the manner provided for the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to serve a copy of your answer in the place of the Registry of this Court at and before

WITNESS: Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, this 10th day of June, 1997.

Robert B. Antonelli
Register of Probate Court

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

DATA ONE ESTATE LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT PROBATE OF WILL WITHOUT SURETIES

MIDDLESEX SS DIVISION DOCKET NUMBER 97P2741EP

Estate of Salvatore D'Accone

Late of Arlington

IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased may be proved and allowed and that Frank A. D'Accone of Laguna Beach, in the State of California, successor in title to Robert S. Gillick of Lexington in the County of Middlesex, be appointed executor without giving surety or a bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before 10:00 a.m. on July 25, 1997.

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within 30 days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS: Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the twenty-fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ninety seven.

Robert B. Antonelli
Register of Probate Court

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

GIROLI ESTATE LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MIDDLESEX SS PROBATE COURT NO. 94P5447EP

NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased may be proved and allowed and that Susan M. LoPrete of Arlington in the County of

To all persons interested in the estate of Mary F. Giron, late of Arlington, in said County, deceased:

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R.C.P. Rule 12 that the 1st and final account of Julia E. Giron as Executrix (the fiduciary) of said estate under the will of said deceased has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before 10:00 a.m. on July 25, 1997.

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within 30 days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS: Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the twenty-fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ninety seven.

Robert B. Antonelli
Register of Probate Court

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

MORRIS LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Richard D. Murray of Arlington in the County of Middlesex be appointed executor without giving surety on his bond(s).

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before 10:00 a.m. on July 25, 1997.

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within 30 days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS: Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the twenty-fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and ninety seven.

Robert B. Antonelli
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Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS
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INVITATION TO BID
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BID #97-24

Sealed bids pursuant to the Uniform Procurement Act, Ch. 36B are invited and will be received by the Town Manager, Town of Arlington, Massachusetts, until 11:00 AM, THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1997, at the Office of the Town Manager/Purchasing Department, 730 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, Massachusetts, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read for furnishing:

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Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Specifications and Proposal Forms may be obtained at the Office of the Town Manager/Purchasing Department, 730 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA.

Proposal must be submitted on form provided and in sealed envelope plainly marked BID ON ROBBINS LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTIONS, 11:00 AM, THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1997, BID #97-24.

Attention: Forms pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 701 of the Acts of 1983 must be submitted with bids.

For further information please contact Maryellen Remmert-Loud, Library Director, at (617) 646-1000, extension 4311.

The Town Manager reserves the right to cancel any invitation for bid, to reject in whole or in part any and all bids, when it is deemed in the best interest of the Town to do so.

TOWN OF ARLINGTON

Donald R. Marquis
Town Manager

Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

STUDENT RECORDS LEGAL NOTICE ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Massachusetts Board of Education, notice is hereby given that the Temporary Student Records for the Arlington High School graduating class of 1992 will be destroyed on August 4, 1997.

Any former graduate of this class who wishes to receive these records before the effective date of their destruction is advised to present themselves at Arlington High School Guidance Office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. during the period of July 3 - August 4, 1997.

The temporary Record includes information maintained by the school department during the course of each student's enrollment. Such information may include standardized test results and health records received by students during their attendance in the Arlington Public Schools. Transcript copies are available upon request and the original transcript is held on file for a period of sixty years.

Arlington Advocate, 7/3, 7/10 & 7/17/97.

TRACK REFURBISHING LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS INVITATION FOR BID REFURBISH TO TRACK AT ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Sealed proposals, addressed to the Town Manager, Town Hall, Arlington, MA 02174 for REPAIRS TO TRACK AT ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL will be received by the Town Manager at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, (Town Manager's Office), Town Hall, Arlington, MA until 11:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1997, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read.

Specifications and Proposal Forms may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent (Town Manager's Office).

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a Bid Bond or Treasurer's or Cashier's check, issued by a responsible bank or trust company payable to the Town of Arlington in the amount of 5% of the contract price, in accordance with Chapter 30, Section 39.

All bids must be in sealed envelopes plainly marked: BID REFURBISH TO TRACK AT ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, 11:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1997, BID #97-24.

Attention is called to the minimum rates of wages to be paid on the work as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Industries under the provisions of Sections 26 and 27, Chapter 148 of the General Laws.

Bid will be awarded within sixty (60) days of bid opening.

For further information on this project please

contact Mark Shea, Operations Engineer at 646-100, Ext. 5230.

The Town of Arlington, Massachusetts reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all proposals or to accept the proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Arlington.

TOWN OF ARLINGTON

Donald R. Marquis
Town Manager
Arlington Advocate, 7/10/97

VINCENZI ESTATE LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT PROBATE OF WILL WITHOUT SURETIES

MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION DOCKET NUMBER 97P2843EP

Estate of Alice P. Vincenzi
also known as Alice Pearl Vincenzi
Late of Arlington
IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

NOTICE

Estate of Alice P. Vincenzi
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IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

BEACON HILL ROLL CALL

The House and Senate — BHRC records local senators' votes on five roll calls and local representatives' votes on three roll calls from the week for June 30-July 4.

HOUSE



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D-Arlington
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Room 33



Anne M. Paulsen
D-Belmont
(617) 722-2140
Room 22

SENATE



Robert A. Havens III
D-Arlington
(617) 722-1432
Room 513

1.	Y	1.	Y
2.	N	2.	N
3.	Y	3.	Y

4.	Y	5.	Y
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1. Fiscal 1998 Budget (H 4700) — The Senate, 38-0 and the House, 157-1 approved and sent to Governor Weld an \$18.3 billion budget for fiscal 1998. Provisions include an increase in the current tax deduction for dependent children under 12 from \$600 and \$1,200; and earned income tax credit which "piggybacks" on the existing federal credit for low-income families; an 8 percent increase in public higher education funding; \$222 million in new education aid to cities and towns; and \$55.5 million in additional Lottery aid.

2. Charter Schools (S 1835) — The Senate, 21-16 and the House, 97-48, approved the controversial bill raising the allowable number of Commonwealth Charter Schools in the state from 25 to 37 and allowing the creation of 13 new Horace Mann Charter Schools. The legislation was then sent to Gov. Weld. Supporters said these innovative Commonwealth Charter Schools have performed well and renewed many students' interest in learning. They noted thousands of children are on waiting lists to enter these schools. They also pointed out that the new Horace Mann Schools will be part of an existing public school, approved by the local school committee and funded by the local community but managed by an independent board of trustees. Opponents said it is too early to determine whether the existing charter schools are worthwhile and effective or just an experiment that drains much-needed money from regular public schools. They argued the cap should not be prematurely raised and noted current charter schools have cost both the state and local communities millions of dollars. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill increasing the number of allowable Commonwealth Charter Schools and creating Horace Mann Schools. A "No" vote is against the bill.)

3. Horace Mann Only (S 1835) — The Senate, 21-18 and the House, 89-51, rejected an amendment maintaining the existing cap on Commonwealth Charter Schools at 25 instead of permitting an additional 12 but still allowing the creation of the 13 new Horace Mann Charter Schools. Amendment supporters said this compromise will stop the premature expansion of unproven, expensive and unaccountable Commonwealth Charter Schools yet allow the more sensible creation of fiscally responsi-

ble Horace Mann Schools which must be approved and funded by local communities. Amendment opponents said Commonwealth Charter Schools have worked well and argued the state should allow more of them. They noted the bill also makes the 12 new Commonwealth Charter Schools more accountable. (A "Yes" vote is for maintaining the current cap of 25 Commonwealth Charter Schools. A "No" vote is against the 25 cap and favors allowing 12 new Commonwealth Charter Schools).

4. State House Smoking (S 1848) — The Senate, 38-0, approved and sent to the House a new version of a bill completely banning smoking in the state house and all state office buildings owned by the state. Supporters said the ban will keep these buildings environmentally healthy, prevent workers and visitors from being exposed to second-hand smoke and protect the many historic treasures in the state house. They argued it has been hypocritical to allow smoking all over the state house while the legislature has passed tough laws regulating smoking in many other public and private buildings.

5. Free Medical Care (S 1699) — The Senate, 38-0, approved and sent to Gov. Weld a bill changing the rules for the funding and operation of the state's uncompensated care pool which funds free care services provided by hospitals for the state's uninsured and underinsured. Hospitals' current payments of \$315 million will be reduced to \$215 million while third party payers, including health insurance companies and HMOs will pay the remaining \$100 million. The measure also increases the state's contribution to the pool from \$15 million to \$30 million. Another provision provides incentive payments to businesses which pay certain portions of a low-income employee's health, insurance. Supporters said the bill is fair and spreads out the cost of funding free care. They noted the measure will provide health care to thousands of uninsured and underinsured individuals and families.

How long was this week's session?
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Beat the heat this summer

THREE TYPES OF HEAT STRESS

- **Heat Cramps:** Severe muscle cramps that occur due to loss of fluid and salt in the body.
- **Heat Exhaustion:** The body is dehydrated and can't replenish vital fluids. Signs are: fatigue, headaches, nausea and low blood pressure.
- **Heat Stroke:** When the body cannot regulate its temperature back to normal. Symptoms include: severe headache, confusion and loss of consciousness. Heat stroke is a true medical emergency.

LOCAL HEAT SHELTERS

Air-conditioned facilities identified as heat shelters:

- **The Senior Center,** 27 Maple Street, call 646-1000 x4720. You can also enjoy lunch at the center; for reservations, call 646-1000 x4747 one day prior.
- **Symmes Hospital & Medical Center** 646-1500. Lunch and dinner are served daily and there is a discount for seniors.
- Enjoy some quiet time reading a good book or magazine at **The Robbins Library**, 646-1000 x4300, and evenings 646-4884. **The Fox Library Branch**, 641-5478.

SAFEGUARD AGAINST HEAT STRESS

- Ask a neighbor to be your buddy and call each other daily to make sure the other is okay. Heat stress confusion may not allow you to recognize the signs of heat stress yourself.

- Do outside activities early in the morning or in the evening when temperatures are lower.
- Open windows for exchange of air in your living space. Even a warm breeze can be better than no air exchange at all.

- If you do not have an air conditioner, sit by a fan and cool yourself with a cool, damp cloth.
- Take a cool bath or shower.

- Drink plenty of fluids at least two quarts a day — even if you are not thirsty. Thirst levels don't keep up with the body's need for water as you get older. Avoid caffeinated and alcoholic drinks.

- If you feel ill, call your doctor or go to the Emergency Room immediately. You should never hesitate to seek professional help if you feel that you may be at risk of heat stress.

Source: COA & Symmes Hospital & Medical Center

Residents urged to remain cool

You don't have to listen for the sounds of air-conditioners cranking out coolness to know that the hot summertime has arrived.

With the heat come the annual warning of the danger of heat stress. The warning has taken new meaning in Arlington since the heat death of an elderly lady in her apartment in 1995.

Dr. Peter Sarafan, an emergency medical physician at Symmes Hospital and Medical Center, explain that there are varying degrees of heat problems ranging from heat cramps to heat stroke.

"Heat stroke is a medical emergency," he said. "The body has lost its ability to regulate temperature. Victims often present with temperatures as high as 106 F, low blood pressure, confusion or coma. Failure to treat this condition promptly can result in injury to the heart, kidneys and brain and death."

The accompanying chart shows residents what they can do to avoid heat-related health problems.



Gostanian retires

GOSTANIAN, FROM PAGE 1

from high school, a rare feat in her times.

Ethnic heritage is important to Gostanian. She speaks Armenian, and her husband, John, is also Armenian. They were married in Saint James' Armenian Church in Watertown, and their children were christened in the church.

Gostanian's mother wanted her to become a secretary. She attended Boston University, which had a secretarial program, but she gravitated toward teaching business.

Gostanian met John on the first

day of class. They were married before senior year. After she graduated in 1959, she raised their two daughters, Gayle and Brenda.

Gostanian enjoyed the education she received as a teacher. She said since she used different material every year, she was always learning something new.

"If a teacher isn't always learning, than that is sad," she said.

Gostanian said she is looking forward to relaxing in her retirement. She said her family will continue to live in Arlington.

— By Brian Boyd

Gorman's retirement will feature novel approach

GORMAN, FROM PAGE 1

at first, he said, but by the end of the year, they were able to understand.

Maureen Keefe, a fifth-grade teacher who will be taking Gorman's place in the fall, said she enjoyed having him as a colleague. She said he was always up-to-date on new technology and curriculum.

"Mr. Gorman was a wonderful gentleman," Keefe said. "He had a dry sense of humor. I think the children respected him and gained a lot from his classes."

Gorman said he enjoys teaching students in the fifth and sixth grades, because they are starting to grow up. Since they are not children anymore, he said, he can have interesting discussions with them, and they show much enthusiasm.

However, Gorman finds it harder for him to compete for his students' attention.

"The biggest change (in the 33 years) is the way the students come to school," Gorman said. "They are more easily distracted. Shorter attention spans."

But Gorman said he continues to come across students with potential. He said he would not have spent all the years in teaching if he did not feel he could inspire some students.

While it is a cliché, Gorman said, he blames television for the limited attention of today's students.

He also said mothers do not stay home like they did in the past, and children spend more time on their own. He said students are more interested in impressing their peers than teachers and parents.

Gorman described his teaching style as old-fashioned, relying mostly on lectures. But he said he would often ask the students questions to keep them involved.

Gorman, who has lived in Lexington for 30 years, plans to continue working in his retirement. He applied for a part-time job supervising student teachers at Boston College.

Gorman also plans to work on the historical novel. He has some Acadian heritage, and his wife, Anita, is Acadian. Her ancestors provided inspiration.

"Leading Home Equity Line in the Boston Area"

Money Magazine, April 1997

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From the North: Take I-93S to Exit 35. Take a left at stop light. Travel 1/10 mile and turn left onto Forest Street. Go 1/10 mile and turn left onto Washington Street. Take Conant Street, which will be the 3rd road on the right. Travel to Conant Street which will be on the left.

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The Arlington Advocate

COMMENT

The Birthplace of "Uncle Sam"

Samuel Wilson

EDITORIAL

The recount decision

With the elementary schools still in dire need of renovations, it is unlikely that talk of another debt exclusion referendum will disappear.

And with such talk will come criticism of the way "Yes for Arlington" handled the campaign leading up to the June 10 referendum. Surprisingly, some of the criticism we have heard comes from people who supported the debt exclusion, but did not think there should have been a request for a recount.

The argument is that in making the request for a recount, the "Yes" side came across as sore losers. We think otherwise. This was not an attempt to steal an election. The people who voted deserved to know the correct result.

Only 16 votes separated the two sides after the initial balloting, and there were 142 ballots the counting machine spit back. The recount widened the margin of victory for the "No" side, which added 18 votes to its lead. If those 18 votes had gone the other way, the recount would have changed the result of the election.

The only real loser in the current voting system is the voter. Arlington owes it to its voters to do away with the out-dated punch card system. We trust town officials will work hard to ensure that voters never again are forced to wonder if their vote counted.

Area code switch

If you want to know who rates, who has pull — who really carries the big stick on Beacon Hill — look no further than the new telephone area code map.

Come Sept. 1, most of us good-for-nothings will be listed under a new area code, either 781 or 978, depending on which town you call home.

Nynex announced the need for the two new area codes for eastern Massachusetts when the company started running out of phone numbers. The problem — which pundits had thought wouldn't become a problem until after the end of the decade — came with the boom in the number of people with cellular phones, separate fax machine lines or second phone lines coming into homes or offices to accommodate computer modems. In short, we're running out of numbers.

Okay, we can accept the fact that our own fascination with technology mandates these additional area codes, and that most of us will just have to suffer through trying to remember who has a new code, which towns changed to which new numbers and the like.

But not all suffering is equal, as we learn again from the state Legislature. Sen. Warren Tolman, a Democrat from Watertown, went to bat for his hometown and the town of Belmont, which also is in his district. After hearing squawks from residents and business owners in his towns who were upset that they'd have to take on the 781 area code in September, Tolman worked his magic to get an amendment tacked onto the Fiscal 1998 budget. The result? Belmont and Watertown stay in 617. No problem.

The justification was that the vast majority of calls made from those communities go toward Cambridge and the Hub. Being bumped out of the 617 area code — identified far and wide as the code for greater Boston — would bring on untold grief and expense for the folks in those two towns.

So how is it that the Legislature saw fit to include Belmont, but not Arlington, which surely must have a significant number of calls made into the Boston area? And why should the 617 area code include Newton, but not neighboring Wellesley or posh Weston? We can take our bad news with the best of them because most of us are guilty, in some way, of helping to eat up all the existing telephone numbers. But it's galling that a state senator found this loophole to include two of his district towns in a state budget amendment, bypassing the process that sliced up the towns in the first place. Residents of Belmont and Watertown may well deserve to stay in 617, but they won that honor, not through an open-air debate on the question, but through their senator's knowledge that the state budget process — unlike the average pay phone — will accept a few slugs now and then.

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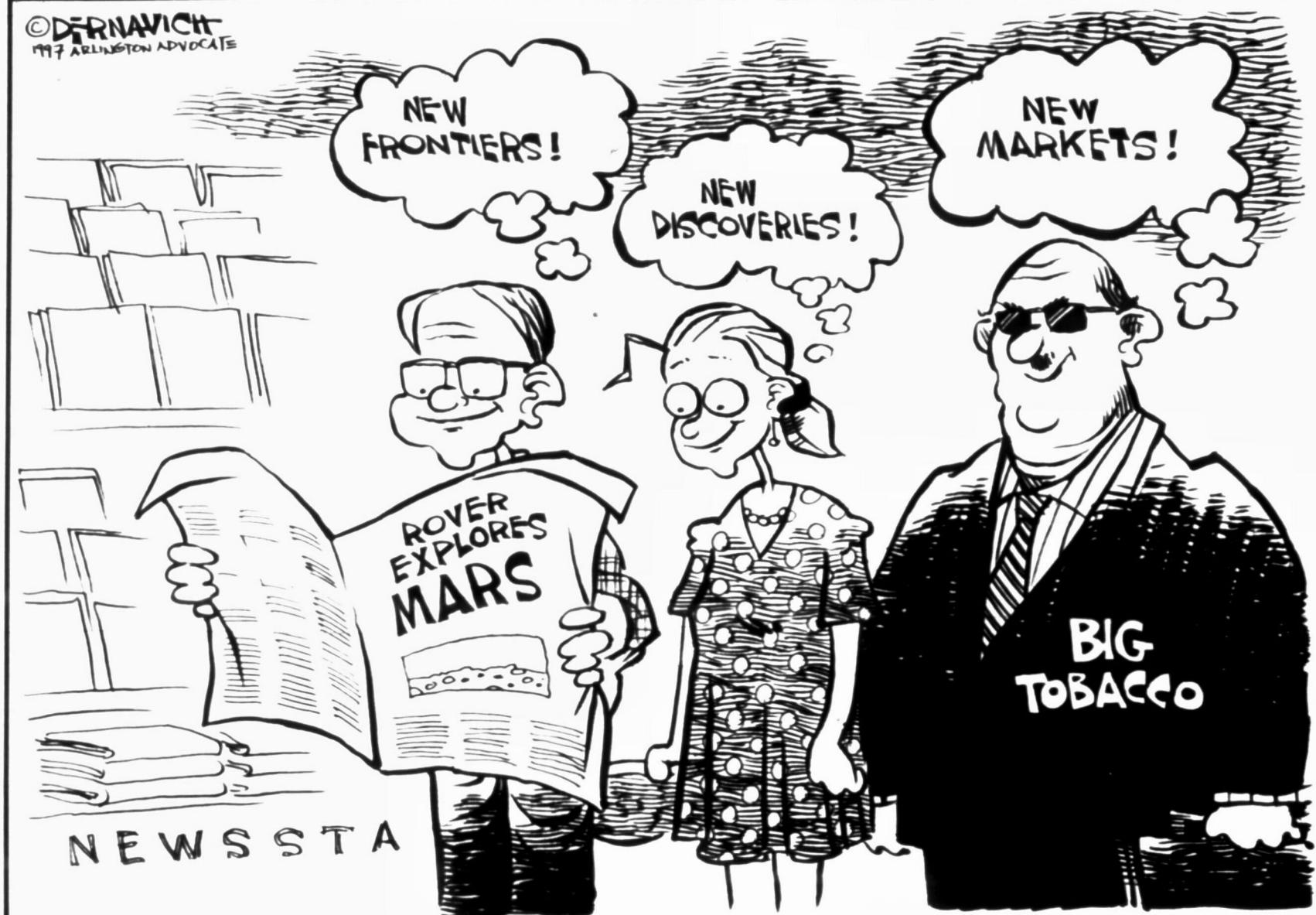
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Apartment hunting can be a real hassle

BY JOANNE H. MEEHL

When I decided to move to Arlington in March, to be closer to friends and job, my first task was to check The Advocate for apartment listings. There, I found many apartments listed, most with rental agents' names and numbers.

Knowing that Arlington is a very desirable place to live, and thus landlords are "in the driver's seat," I was eager for the agents' help. Plus, since most of the listings are with these agents, it was obvious right away that it's pretty hard to find an apartment without them.

So I began my campaign, figuring I'd work with two or three agents, and I'd quickly land a place. I called three, but when there was no response, I called others. And when very few of those called back, I made still more calls.

Don't they want to rent anything? I wondered. I was met with many answering machines, which normally don't bother me. But when you keep hearing "I'll return your call as soon as possible," and they don't, you begin to feel like a fool for leaving any messages.

When anyone cared to return my call, and yes, there were a few, they certainly were pleasant enough. But

the overall response was "Keep bugging me, and maybe I'll come up with something for you." On one Saturday, one agent earnestly set up two tentative appointments to see apartments for the following Tuesday. I rearranged my schedule for the week when he said he would definitely get back to me in the next day or so to confirm these. But when I had not heard anything by Tuesday morning, I called him, only to hear him on his voice mail say "I'll be back in town on Wednesday." So much for those Tuesday night appointments.

A second agent was on another call, and promised she would call me back that afternoon. She did call me back, but it was a week later. A third agent seemed peeved that I owned a cat, hesitating and sighing as she listened to me. "How old is he?" she asked, as if to suggest that if only my pet would die soon, there would be more apartments available to me.

While a few did return my calls promptly, I couldn't keep track of all of those who did not. For this kind of treatment, a prospective tenant gets to pay a fee the equivalent to half a month's (and sometimes a full month's) rent? In my case, I don't think so!

Now a few weeks had passed, and my frustration level was at a high.

How does one get into Arlington? Is there a secret word? Do you have to know someone up on high? Is this a "closed" community that doesn't want newcomers? If it was so hard for me — a white, home-owning professional — to get anyone's attention to even see an apartment at a slow time of year, how could those who are of color or handicapped or are single parents ever break in?

I tried to find an entity which oversees these agents, but alas, there is none. So there is no one you can complain to, except the Fair Housing Board of the town of Arlington, where I found sympathy but where they could do little to get these business people to provide better service.

I ignored advice of friends to "Check out Watertown or Belmont, maybe those agents are better." Instead I began to respond to ads placed directly by Arlington landlords themselves. On my first call, I landed an appointment the next night. It was just as the owner had described it, and just what I was looking for, so I took the apartment. No fee, no hassle, business transacted in an honest and friendly manner.

And what did those rental agents lose by not working with me to find an apartment? They could ask my landlord, where I've now been for two months. He'd tell them I've repainted or papered every room in the apartment, and that I've refurbished all the woodwork and hardwood floors. He'd tell them I've loves the perennials I've planted, as well as the hanging baskets of flowers I've put up on the porches. He's learned that I'm quiet, that I'm a bike path enthusiast, that Shattuck Hardware has been a lifesaver, that I've joined a church, that I pick up litter, that I treat my apartment as if it were my own, and that, yes, my cat behaves himself. That is the kind of tenant that the agencies missed out on.

Companies that practice quality customer service, even in today's "seller's market," know that good service in good times translates into customer loyalty in bad times, when the "buyer" is in control. So few rental agents in Arlington seem to know this. And because they don't know it, they certainly aren't projecting Arlington's real image, as the wonderful town that it is.

LETTERS

Problem is with the drivers, not the signs

To the Editor:

I think that anyone who can read "right turn on right arrow only" and has a little bit upstairs should know that you do not turn right when the green arrow is pointing straight ahead. I have been beeped, cursed and driven around by cars then driving through pedestrians who are crossing Pleasant Street on "Walk Sign." Reading and obeying signs today and showing a little courtesy seems to be beyond reach as is using directional when turning, and just plain trying to get ahead of the car in front of you. What's wrong with waiting for the right arrow? The fact that "no one" can understand what the arrow means is wrong. When I see "right" turn on "right" arrow only, I wait for the arrow to indicate "right." Is this a problem?

C. McKinley
Brad Street

Geese at 'The Res' need protection

To the Editor:

At the Reservoir Beach, in front is a billboard that has all the rules and regulations on it. On that billboard there is not a rule says No chasing and or splashing Ducks or Geese. OK, you are a duckling/gosling and out swim-

ming with your Mom and five brothers and sisters. Big humans loom over you, chase you, splash you, and separate you from your Mom. Do you like that? No!

Mothers stand on shore and say "Dear, don't chase ducks." Do they make any move to stop them? No! Lifeguards yell at people right and left about climbing rocks and throwing sand, but do they yell about chasing ducks? NO!

Now, shooing them away from you food is one thing. Help me here. I am a 10-year-old that

can't do much about this except write. We need that rule there and people to enforce it.

Rebecca L. Smith
Summer Street

Sister City group plans trip to Japan

To the Editor:

Although Arlington has had a Japan connection for about 25 years, and has had a Japan Sister City for almost 13 years, my experience tells me that most Arlingtonians are unaware of this, and are unaware of the terrific benefits of participating in this relationship.

For example, more than 300 Arlingtonians have taken advantage of extremely low-cost trips to Japan, and hundreds of Japanese people have been hosted by Arlington families.

This coming Autumn, the Ar-

lington-Nagaokakyo Sister City organization will be sending a group to Japan where they will make stops in at least three different places, with home stays in each place. And, since Nagaokakyo has a China Sister City, Ningbo, there is also an opportunity to spend about 8 days in China!

Unlike most previous years, this trip is not limited to young adults in their late teens or twenties, but is available to all adults who live in, work in, or have some connection with Arlington.

Although most expenses in Japan are picked up by host organizations, each person will have to pay his or her own airfare. We are able to make sharply discounted airfares available, but seats at the best fares are limited, so it is necessary to apply as soon as possible.

Information may be obtained from Dick Smith, 648-1861, or Lori Maltzer, 646-4834.

Dick Smith
Washington Street

Referendum recount was handled well

To the Editor:

The June 10 election and the following recount was a major event in Arlington. Our community was divided on this issue.

Being present at the recount and observing the whole process

with all the emotions involved was a true education. In my opinion the real and true winner of this election was the process itself. The democratic process. It was a pleasure to see how the Arlington Clerks Office organized and executed the recount. This conduct has helped to reestablish the trust and faith of voters in this process.

As a voter and a resident of this town, I am taking my hat off and expressing my gratitude to the Town Clerk, Clerks Office employees and all those who helped the recount take place the way it should. Thank you for a job well done.

Saro Khaschikian
Chatham Street

'No' side should disclose finances

To the Editor:

"As interested citizens and taxpayers," my old friend and former Town Meeting colleague Doug Howard wrote last week, "we have a sacrosanct right to demand more accountability." How true. That's why I went down to the Town Clerk's office, in a spirit of accountability, to see who contributed to the campaigns for and against the recent debt exclusion vote.

The result was most puzzling. While "YES for Arlington" fully

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disclosed their contributions and expenditures, as required by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 55, there was no filing by anyone in opposition.

Again, Doug Howard wrote, "We saw the threshold of decent civic behavior crumble under the weight of winning at all costs." So what were the costs?

What were the costs of all the VOTE NO roof racks and signs we saw on election day? What were the costs of the mailings in opposition to the debt exclusion? Who paid for the opposition's political consultant at the recount?

It was clear that "YES for Arlington" received contributions that were all legal under state law. How can we tell if the money raised and spent by the opposition was raised legally? How do we know if some outside special interest, that would profit from delaying or rebidding the school projects, was not behind the opposition campaign? Were legal limits on individual contributions violated? What was the role of the Arlington Republican Town Committee, which violated the long standing tradition of avoiding partisan involvement in local elections?

The opponents of the debt exclusion were critical of the actions of "YES for Arlington," a legally formed committee to advocate on behalf of a ballot question. Was failing to register as a political committee the opposition's attempt at seeking immunity from similar criticism?

What mandate is there for us to turn over the task of renovating our schools to Doug Howard and his Plan B task force? Even with the recount, which moved more than 100 votes out of the blank column, fewer than half the people who went to the polls (4693 out of 9398, or 49.94%) cast No votes. This is not a mandate to turn the mission of caring for our town's infrastructure away from our elected Town Meeting, and other elected and duly appointed officials, and place it in the hands of what Doug Howard describes as "friends and neighbors who are not widely known." On the contrary, that is the core of our present problem. The friends and neighbors on the No side are not widely known. They have not disclosed themselves through the required campaign finance reports. They have not presented viable platforms to get elected to Town Meeting. Merely, they have participated in a stealth campaign of questionable veracity to narrowly win a ballot question.

Meanwhile, what would be a "Plan B" alternative to a sequential and carefully planned approach to renovating our schools? Should we do nothing, and allow the Brackett, Hardy, and Bishop to be removed from the state reimbursement list? Should we abandon the schools in neighborhoods where voters did not support the debt exclusion, and renovate only the Brackett and Bishop? Should we put up our entire capital budget, and make more costly but less ex-

tensive repairs to our schools, at the expense of improvements to other facilities and other town budgets? Should we abandon our town government and allow ourselves to be annexed by Cambridge, in order to get their higher school reimbursement rates, their higher tax base, and their parking permits?

No, I see no alternative preferable to the well reasoned, sequential, and frugal renovation program proposed with this debt exclusion. Let's hope that Arlington awakens to the consequences of the June 10 vote, and finds a way to get the seven school renovation program back on track.

Paul Schlichtman
Town Meeting Member
Pleasant Street

Referendum result should wake up town

To the Editor:

Character is measured not by how you handle success but by how you handle defeat.

It is my hope and the hope of many parents, homeowners, business people and residents of Arlington that town officials are prepared, in the wake of the recent override vote, to pick up the pieces and find a way to succeed. I am sure their offices and homes have been bombarded with calls asking how this could have happened and what will we do now.

The results serve as a wake-up call to far too many who thought that a vote for urgently needed school renovations funded 63 percent by the state could not fail. Too many residents, busy with young families, demanding jobs and active lives, do not take the time to follow local politics. Ordinarily they do not feel it has a significant impact on their lives. When a vote like this occurs, they feel it like a punch to the stomach. Shocked and stunned, they lament too late not having voted, but the damage is done.

Cynics, haters and people acting in their own narrow, short-sighted self interest tend to control local elections in most every town. They always vote. Whether it's Town employees who feel that every dollar the town spends today is a dollar not available for their raise tomorrow or political opportunists who thrive on negative energy, it is always easier to destroy than to build anew.

Town officials have an opportunity now to bring out residents who have never voted in local elections before to act in the long term best interest of the town, for our children, our property values and our quality of life. The people have not yet spoken. If you put it on the ballot again, they will come.

Patrick Fitzgerald Fox
Spring Avenue

Homeowners should read painting report

To the Editor:

Any homeowners who are having their house painted this summer can benefit by obtaining a

copy of a report on this subject available from Arlington Preservation Fund.

Although designed for owners of antique houses, this information will be useful to any homeowner, and should be required reading before entering into a contract for such a frequent-and expensive-project.

The report discusses timing, color selection, finding a painter, lead paint removal hazards, the correct process, important precautions, different types of paint (oil, latex, and stain) tips for "do-it-yourselfers" and historically correct color schemes.

The information has been prepared and edited by members of the Preservation Fund's board of directors, and may be obtained free of charge by sending a self-addressed stamped business-sized envelope to the Fund at Post Office Box 493, Arlington 02174 with a request for "paint brochure."

Arlington Preservation Fund is a non-profit corporation initially financed by Community Development Block Grant funds, and appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

John L. Worden III
Arlington Preservation Fund, Inc.

Don't miss next concert in series

To the Editor:

Cheers for the summer concert sponsored by a grant from the Arlington Arts Council. It features the music of the "Classic Five," a six-piece band and vocalists specializing in the music of the 50's and 60's. Everyone enjoyed the concert, so don't miss the next scheduled date: 7 p.m. July 30 at the Jefferson Cuter House on the lawn. Bring chairs or a blanket and have a great evening.

Catherine Caldwell
Drake Road

Parade a hit, thanks to the sound system

To the Editor:

Once again Charlie and his son have generously donated their time, talents and equipment to provide us with a sound system for our seventh annual 4th of July Neighborhood Parade. Close to 100 children and their families weave their way along the parade route to the sounds of John Philip Souza emanating from the public address system Audiosonics

has crafted for the occasion. It wouldn't be the same without it. Richard Belofsky
Mary Beth Giffune
Spring Avenue

On that day, when the yearbooks are cracked and faded, when our new graduation clothes are worn and out of date, what then — what then, will today have mattered?

Some advice to recent graduates

BY SID MCKEEN

Here's my advice to the graduates: Don't hurry to get a job. You have a whole lifetime to work, and you've been going to school like forever. The work can come later. Take a year off and just have fun.

It's not that easy, you say? The job recruiters have you surrounded? OK, listen up and I'm going to give you my tips on how to conduct yourself at a job interview:

1. Most important of all, be yourself. If you're a guy, show up in your favorite baseball cap, preferably worn backwards. Keep it on while you talk, so the personnel people can see what a cool dude you are. If you have a Coed Naked T-shirt, by all means wear it to the interview. If you're a gal, slacks will demonstrate that you have a mind of your own, but a pair of denim cutoffs will command even more attention. Dressing up for the occasion is a telltale sign that you're trying too hard to be someone other than yourself.

2. Job interviewers see so many applicants, they can hardly remember one from the other by the end of the day. Try to stand out from the herd. A nose ring pierced through the septum will set you apart, and so will a tattoo that is

strategically displayed, especially one with a brief text that makes a strong political statement.

3. Business people are practical folks who live in the real world. They expect prospective employees to be the same, so don't hesitate to speak frankly and firmly about real issues. Before you are asked even one question, tell the interviewer you need to know how much you'll be getting paid, how often you can count on a raise, how many weeks of vacation you can look forward to and whether you'll ever have to work any nights, holidays or weekends.

4. Lots of job applicants act nervous and uptight. Show that you're comfortable and relaxed in such a setting. Interviewers like to be called by their first names and will enjoy any comments you might wish to offer about the family photos on their desk. A male applicant, for example, could tell a male interviewer, "Wow, like, man, is that your daughter? She's some hot chick. You must be real proud of her, George!" Putting your feet up on his desk during such banter will further establish your casual approach and mark you as the kind of fun lover who will add to the general workplace atmosphere.

5. If you've been looking at a newspaper or magazine while waiting your turn in the outer office, bring it with you and explain that you hadn't finished Dear Abby. If you're asked what you think of her column, tell the interviewer it's the only thing you ever read.

6. Be careful not to get trapped by a question about current events. Should the interviewer ask what you think about relations with China, the debate in Congress on the balanced budget or the ethics of cloning, give a noncommittal answer, such as, "Oh, hey, man, I leave that kind of stuff to the dobbledomes. Me, I'm mostly into, y'know, parties and the good life."

7. If it helps you to stay relaxed, you may want to bring along a pack of cigarettes and light one up at some point in the conversation. Be sure and offer one to your interviewer and if he or she declines, make a light remark about "different strokes for different folks." If you're good at blowing smoke rings, this wouldn't be a bad time for a demonstration of your talent.

Sid McKeen is a former newspaper associate editor who writes from his retirement home in Maine.

Graduates must look toward bright future

This is the text of the address given by Arlington resident Gareth Driver at the recent Minuteman Science & Technology High School graduation ceremony.

BY GARETH DRIVER

Fellow members of the class of 1997, parents, teachers, friends:

Good afternoon.

Fellow graduates, this day has

been set aside for us, and rightly so, but I hope you will pause with me for a moment to consider the meaning of today's events.

There is an old story about a king who commanded his advisors to find a sentence for him that would be true under any circumstances. After years of study, his wise men reported back to him. The sentence they had found was: "And this, too, shall pass away."

So it is of us, and of our achievements one day the knowledge we received here will be outmoded. One day our work will be forgotten. One day our plans and dreams will be but memories, and then not even that.

On that day, when the yearbooks are cracked and faded, when our new graduation clothes are worn and out of date, what then — what then, will today have mattered?

Like any question about the fu-

ture, this is impossible to answer with any certainty.

But I believe we can look with hope to the words of the great British poet, Rudyard Kipling:

*The tumult and the shouting dies
— the kings and captains soon depart*

*still stands thine ancient sacrifice,
an humble and a contrite heart.*

*Lord God of hosts, be with us yet,
lest we forget!*

Thus, at the end of things, we, the "kings and captains" of tomorrow, will be judged not on our "tumult and shooting," our worldly position, but on the extent to which we, in humility and contrition, recognize and attempt to repay the immense debt of gratitude we owe to those who have brought us here today: our parents, our teachers, our friends, our God.

The importance of our work at Minuteman rests not only on how much knowledge is in our minds, but on how much wisdom is in our souls, how much mercy is in our hearts.

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Michael C. Holland

continue their preparation by serving aboard ships and at shore stations around the world.

Holland was one of 895 men and women who were commissioned as officers this year from the academy.

Salem State names local students to list

The following residents have been named to the Salem State College's spring semester dean's list:

Becky Brooker, Julie Corrigan, Thomas C. Coyne, Charles Leonardos, Jennifer H. McGoldrick, Cristina A. Pessotti and Gaetano Schiavone.

Sevland named to RIT dean's list

Tasha Sevland of Arlington, has been named to the dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Tasha is a student in the Food Technology and Management program with a concentration in economics in the College of Applied Science and Technology.

She is the daughter of Mary Sevland and a 1994 graduate of Minuteman Science Technology High School.

BIRTHS

birth of their daughter, Jacqueline Colleen, on June 20, 1997, at Mount Auburn Hospital. The new arrival weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces and measured 21 inches long. She will join her brother Brien at home.

Grandparents are Robert Carr of Arlington and the late Dorothy Carr, and Ray and Terry Diffley of Cambridge and Wakefield, Rhode Island.

Jessie Ann Nason

Scott and Annie Nason of Andover are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Jessie Ann, on June 11, 1997, at Winchester Hospital. Jessie was welcomed home by brother An-

Gagne gets honors

Jennifer Gagne, daughter of Thomas and Rita Gagne of Arlington, has been named to the Dean's List for the 1997 spring semester at the University of New England. A 1995 graduate of Arlington High School, Gagne is a major in occupational therapy.

Stonehill College names dean's list

The following local students have been named to the Dean's List for the spring 1997 semester at Stonehill College:

Patricia Furtado, highest honors; Michael Lynch, high honors, and Thomas LeBlanc, honors.

Connors on dean's list at Bates College

John E. Connors, of Arlington, was named to the dean's list at Bates College as a result of his scholastic standing during the second semester of the 1996-97 academic year. Connors, a sophomore, is the son of John and Lavinia Connors. During his first year, Connors participated in the Leadership Academy and the Wesleyan Parliamentary Debate Tournament. He is a 1995 graduate of Arlington High School.

Music educators honor Petti

The Massachusetts Music Educators Association recently recognized Arlington resident Lynn Petti for her outstanding work on behalf of the performing arts. Petti, who has served for the past five years as president of Arlington's Performing Arts Parents Association, received the Massachusetts Music Advocacy Award in recognition of her commitment to maintaining a strong arts program in the Arlington schools.

During her tenure as president of the parents association, Petti has worked to ensure continued funding for the school music department and has been a strong leader in private fundraising for the arts. Her leadership has been instrumental in the development of an annual scholarship program for the town's performing arts students, a program that has awarded three \$1,000 scholarships in the past two years.

Through Petti's leadership, the high school also initiated its annual Spring Pops Concert to showcase the talent of Arlington students. In only four years time, the Pops Concert has become such a major town event that this



Helene Tassone, right, a member of the executive board of the Massachusetts Music Educators Association, presents Arlington resident Lynn Petti with the association's Massachusetts Music Advocacy Award.

year the school added an extra performance. In addition, in each of the past several years the number of students participating in the school's music program has steadily increased.

The Massachusetts Music Educators Association is an affiliate

of the Music Educators National Conference. This is the second consecutive year that the members of the association have elected to present their prestigious music advocacy award to a volunteer community leader.

Residents learn in work training program

Two Arlington residents recently were honored for taking part in the One With One employment training program.

Kameliya Shakaryan of Arlington graduated from One With One Inc's Entrance Office Work employment training program.

Shakaryan successfully completed One With One's nine-month program. This program integrates training in English for Speakers of Other Languages with skill development for entry-level office work. In addition to further developing the students' English skills, the program trains students to type, use computers and office machines, and to excel in productivity, teamwork and customer service. Graduates completed a five-day-a-week, full-time classroom training, participated in two separate corporate mentoring in-

ternships, and were partnered with American volunteer tutor/mentors for three hours each week of additional instruction.

Along with One With One's Certificate of Completion, graduates are eligible for 21 transferable credits from Aquinas College's business training program.

As a result of her hard work, Shakaryan gained full-time employment. Since 1994, One With One has achieved a 100 percent employment placement rate through its training program.

Holly Vietzke of Arlington was honored by One With One Inc. for her year of service in a volunteer partnership program that links tutors with newcomers to the United States.

Vietzke contributed three hours per week for one year to work with a student in One With One's

English as a Second Language/Job Training program. She assisted her student partner from Vietnam to improve her English skills, become familiar with U.S. business practice, and go through the challenging process of her job search.

Together, tutors and students of One With One studied, practiced and developed lasting friendships. Partners have had a tremendous impact on each other's lives. Students have developed confidence and competence in English.

Tutors and student partners were honored at One With One's graduation ceremony Monday, June 23, at the Seaton Auditorium in St. Elizabeth's Medical Center, Brighton.

For more information call Margaret Van Duyne or Debra Jacobs at 254-1691.

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